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MEMORANDUM FOR: Major General John J. Davis
Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
Department of the Army

SUBJECT : Intelligence Activities in Southeast Asia

1. With regard to your memorandum of 6 May concerning intelligence activities in Southeast Asia, I would be pleased to have Mr. William Colby, Chief of our Far East Division, brief General Johnson at the latter's convenience. I assume that you would be present to cover those matters of specific concern to Army intelligence.

2. If you will communicate with my office, we shall be pleased to meet General Johnson's schedule.

(signed) W. F. Raborn

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Director

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Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence
Department of the Army

SUBJECT: Intelligence Activities in Southeast Asia

1. Your memorandum of 6 May requested information relative to the penetration of the Communist infrastructure in Vietnam and Thailand to satisfy the concern and interest of the Chief of Staff, U. S. Army, with the national effort in that part of Southeast Asia. The member of my staff responsible for the area and the most knowledgeable individual of matters in which General Johnson is interested is Mr. William Colby, Chief of the Far East Division, Clandestine Services. I shall be happy to have Mr. Colby brief General Johnson on the broad problem of our activities and operations in the two countries of concern. This will enable General Johnson to gain a current picture of the national effort. I assume that you yourself would be present to cover those matters of specific concern to Army intelligence.

2. If you will communicate with me the time and place when such briefing can be held, I am sure Mr. Colby will be available.

W. F. Raborn
Director

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MAY 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR: DIRECTOR, CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

SUBJECT: Intelligence Activities in Southeast Asia (U)

1. (S) Chief of Staff, United States Army has recently re-emphasized his continued concern and interest in the effectiveness of intelligence operations in Viet Nam and Thailand. In particular, he has requested information concerning the extent and effectiveness of penetration of the Communist infrastructure in each of the two countries.

2. (S) In view of General Johnson's strong interest, I want to provide him with the most accurate picture possible of the United States national effort, rather than with information dealing only with the military intelligence effort. Personnel from your staff have been helpful in the past in meeting with me and discussing intelligence activities in Southeast Asia. However, in order to present General Johnson with current and complete information, I would appreciate it if you would arrange a briefing at the earliest possible date covering the extent and effectiveness of your current efforts to penetrate the Communist infrastructure in Viet Nam and Thailand, the nature of any planned expansion of efforts in these areas, and any recommendations you may have for further cooperation between the Army and your agency in solving the problems which we face in Southeast Asia.

John Harris

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